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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Chair Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 The Honorable Kay Granger Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations U.S. House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the MetroWest Scholars Early Start in Waltham in fiscal year 2022 appropriations.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Framingham State University, located at 100 State Street, Framingham, Massachusetts 01701.

The funding would be used for Framingham State University (FSU) and Massachusetts Bay Community College (MassBay) to scale their MetroWest Scholars Early Start Early College Project to reach underserved youth and families in the community of Waltham. The program will be delivered in partnership with Waltham Middle and High School, the MetroWest College Planning Collaborative (CPC), and dual enrollment courses from both FSU and MassBay. This project will build a robust Early College program in Waltham to create pathways to college completion and economic stability for the City's ELL, first generation, newcomer, and underserved populations.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

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Sincerely,

Katherine M. Clark Member of Congress

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